

Mifflinburg Students Receive State FFA Proficiency Awards



Crystal Zechman



Eric Imgrund



Barry Spangler



Patti Snook

MIFFLINBURG — Four Mifflinburg Area High School seniors have been selected to receive state FFA proficiency awards.

They are Eric Imgrund, in oil crop (soybean) production; Patti Snook, in sheep production; Barry Spangler, in home and farmstead improvement; and Crystal Zechman, in beef production.

The proficiency awards recognize FFA members at the local, state and national levels for exceptional progress toward specific occupational objectives in agriculture.

Applications submitted by the state winners will now be entered in national competition.

Eric Imgrund, son of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Imgrund, Lewisburg, has 25 acres of soybeans, some of which are his and some of which he farms in partnership, and is an Asgrow seed salesman. He also has projects in beef, dairy beef and swine finishing, market lambs, corn and veal calves as well as a work experience project.

He was sentinel of the Mifflinburg FFA and received chapter proficiency awards for agricultural mechanics, beef finishing, diversi-

fied crop production and feed grain production.

He plans to attend Williamsport Area Community College and study heavy equipment and would like to start dairy farming in the future.

Patti Snook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Ernest Snook, Mifflinburg R3, has 25 lambs in a breeding herd this year. The Northumberland County Sheep and Wool Princess, she also has beef finishing and work experience projects.

She received chapter proficiency awards in sheep breeding and diversified livestock production, the star chapter farmer award, a state project record book award and an FFA scholarship award.

Snook was president of the Mifflinburg FFA and SUN Area FFA, placed second in FFA state creed speaking competition and was a member of the parliamentary procedure team that placed first in the state last year.

She plans to attend Penn State University to study agricultural economics and agricultural law.

Barry Spangler, son of Eugene Spangler, Mifflinburg R2, has conducted various home and farmstead improvement projects, including renovating buildings, constructing new buildings and fences, completing electrical work and landscaping. He assisted with construction of the livestock barn at the West End Fairgrounds and at his church.

Spangler has dairy herd, dairy beef finishing and on-farm work experience projects. He was vice-president of the Mifflinburg FFA and treasurer of the SUN Area FFA.

He placed first in FFA state

agronomy and conservation public speaking contests and received a state project record book award, chapter proficiency award in public speaking and FFA scholarship award.

He plans to attend Penn State University and major in agricultural education.

Crystal Zechman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Zechman, Mifflinburg R2, owns four animals and has started a cow-calf operation; she also raises market steers and manages another farmer's cow-calf herd.

The Pennsylvania Angus Queen and a member of the Pennsylvania Junior Angus Association, Zechman also has corn production and on-farm work experience projects.

She was reporter and secretary of the Mifflinburg FFA and Union County vice-president of the SUN Area FFA. She was the chapter star greenhand and a member of the state first-place parliamentary procedure team. She received a state project record book award, FFA scholarship award and chapter proficiency award in specialty crop production.

She plans to operate her own registered Angus farm and a feedlot with her father.

The four students previously received FFA Keystone Degrees, the highest achievement degree granted by the state FFA.

The state proficiency awards are supported by the National FFA Foundation and the following: oil crop production, Shell Companies Foundation and Ring Around Products, Inc.; sheep production, Milling Division of Carnation Company, American Sheep Producers Council, Inc. and Sheep Industry Development Program, Inc.; home and farmstead improvement, Upjohn, Tuco, Asgrow and Cobb; and beef production, Nasco International, Inc. and New Holland.

Pa. Farm Museum Plans Workshops For Children

LANCASTER—Care of farm animals, simple crafts and traditional foods are all included in Landis Valley Museum's workshops for children.

Workshops scheduled for August 10 through 12 will be held for children ages 6 to 8; on August 17 to 19, sessions will be offered for the 9 to 12 year olds. Each day classes will run from 9 to 11 a.m.

Themes for the three days are "Favorite Farm Animals," "From Lamb to Linen" and "Old-Fashioned Foodways." Each day children will take home an item they have made. Flo Howard is coordinating the workshops with teaching support from volunteers and museum staff.

The "animal" day will include a tour of the farm animals and an opportunity to water them using wooden buckets. Children will hunt for and handle a variety of products made from animals ranging from a horn button to a leather mug. Everyone will make potato prints of animals and decorate a small item. In "Lamb to Linen"

children will help to process wool and flax (linen) as well as make a wool lamb figure and try wool rug braiding.

On the last day, "Foodways," everyone will learn to fire an outdoor bake oven, preserve foods, make cookies and ice cream, churn butter and stencil a booklet of the prepared recipes.

Regular registration is \$15 per child; those with museum Associate family memberships are charged \$13.50 per child. Only 3-day registrations are accepted; places are reserved by the receipt of a check. Call Flo Howard at (717) 665-2211 to make registration arrangements.

Landis Valley, an outdoor complex of over 30 historical buildings, is the largest museum of Pennsylvania German rural life. It is located 4 miles north of Lancaster on Route 272 (Oregon Pike). The museum is operated by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission with support from the volunteer group, Landis Valley Associates.

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Pie Eating Contest 7 P.M.
Demolition Derby (\$5.00) 7 P.M.
Music by "John Hambley Band" 8 P.M.

THURSDAY, JULY 23

Judging of Entries . . . Starts 9 A.M.
Placing of Baked Goods and Flowers 9:30-11 A.M.
Black and White Cattle Judging 10 A.M.
Bar-B-Q Chicken 6 P.M.
BMX Bike Races 7 P.M.
Music by "Broadway Buckaroos" 8 P.M.

FRIDAY, JULY 24

Cattle Judging (4-H and FFA) 10 A.M.
Steer Entries (4-H and FFA) 4 P.M.
Bar-B-Q Chicken 6 P.M.
Tractor Pull 7 P.M.
(Purse B Modified & Stock—\$5.00)
Music by "Sonny Miller" 8 P.M.

SATURDAY, JULY 25

Sheep Show Open 9 A.M.
Safe Tractor Driving (4-H and FFA) 9 A.M.
Steer Show (4-H and FFA) 1 P.M.
Bar-B-Q Chicken 5 P.M.
Parkettes Gymnastics Team 6:30 P.M.
Lehigh Valley 1/4 Midget Racers 7 P.M.
Watermelon Eating Contest 7 P.M.
Music by "Twitty Fever" 8 P.M.
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